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TO: Prospective Bidders on Construction Contracts

FROM: City of Midland Engineering Department

RE: 2008 Construction Specification Changes

Listed below are construction specification revisions that will be required on all construction projects beginning with the 2008 construction season. It is the responsibility of all general contractors to make sure that their subcontractors are aware of all of these changes as well as all other requirements of the contract.

- The Special Provisions have a new requirement for “First Aid Training”.
- A new standard detail for Sidewalk Ramps is included in the construction contract.
- Manhole and Catch Basin regrades and new structures shall now receive a shrink wrap seal around the top of the masonry and bottom of the cast iron casting. This will replace the filter fabric used in the past. Details of this are described in the Special Provisions and on the detail sheet contained in the specifications.
- Fire Hydrants shall now be painted with a red upper barrel and the port caps shall be painted white as described in Division 9 of the standard specifications.
- All new catch basins shall include the placement of a 4” underdrain around the circumference of the structure as shown on the standard catch basin detail.
- All new storm manholes and catch basin pipe connections shall be made with a Kor-n-seal rubber boot as shown on the standard detail sheets.
- The ABS Truss pipe used for sanitary sewer is no longer a part of the City of Midland Standard Specifications. This pipe is no longer available from the manufacturer. We are now allowing SDR-26 PVC pipe to be used for sanitary sewers. See the revised specification in Division 8 and also the revised detail sheet for backfill and testing requirements for this pipe.